

## CASE STUDY

**Project** – Strip out project for No.1 Carter Lane.

**Location** – No.1 Carter Lane, London EC4

**Duration** – Since March 2013 – 12 weeks programme

**Value** – Circa £235k

**Scope of Work** –



Forest Environmental was appointed by main contractor Faithdean Plc through competitive tendering process, for carrying out a CATA soft strip in this prime property. The work includes soft strip for seven floors (including lower ground) of all internal partitions, raised flooring, suspended ceilings, mechanical and electrical services, kitchen, restaurant and fitness areas. The building had previously been occupied by Bank- Goldman Sachs, was ready for a complete re-fit for new tenants. Contract included adaptations to the floor slab and the disposal of all waste produced from the works.

### **Project Challenge -**

The initial challenge was the very short lead in time allowed to get the project started after the contract was awarded, and then to plan the resources to deliver a 12 week completion of all strip out works, to enable the building to be handed back to the main contractor ready for a complete re-fit.



Forest Environmental strive to ensure that no waste produced from soft strip ends up in landfill, and in this particular case, Forest utilized the underground car park area to site waste skips, and separate the majority of waste. The volume of waste being produced within short time periods resulted in daily exchanges of waste containers. The service of waste carriers on this project was critical to maintain the momentum of the works, and achieve completion as per the program.



Forest environmental also was engaged to carry out the removal of sections of the first floor concrete slab to suit the new floor design, without causing any damage, or micro cracking to adjacent surfaces. In the first instance Forest had to design a safe method of carrying out this task, without the aid of any heavy lifting equipment (I.E. Cranes, Forklifts), and with the help of the project's structural consultant Forest produced a Risk Assessment/Method Statement document that was acceptable to all interested parties, and allowed the actual work to begin. In brief, a scaffold crash deck was erected under the areas of slab that were to be removed, Forest used a

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Floor Cutter to cut small, manageable sections of floor out, and with the aid of a mobile overhead gantry, the small sections were lifted out to one side, and then broken up into bagged debris for disposal.

### **Project Conclusion -**

The building was completely stripped out within the required 12 week period without any damage to the building, this includes the cutting out of the slabs, and also the project was on budget. Our main contractor then secured the fit out project from the client.

